

Scrutiny Board :	Budget and Corporate Scrutiny Management Board
Report Title	Tracking and Monitoring Impact of Scrutiny Recommendations
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Wards Affected	(All Wards);
Appendices (if any)	1. Resolution and Action Tracker for Budget and Corporate Scrutiny Management Board

1. Executive Summary

- 1.1 To track and monitor the impact of recommendations made by the Budget and Corporate Scrutiny Management Board.

2. Recommendation

- 2.1 That the Board considers the progress on implementation and impact of recommendations made.
- 2.2 That the Board determines what action it wishes to take where progress is unsatisfactory.
- 2.3 That the Board determines which actions/recommendations no longer require monitoring.

3. Background and Context

- 3.1 The consideration of this report by the Budget and Corporate Scrutiny Management Board facilitates the effective monitoring of progress on responses to and press with implementation of recommendations made by the Board and identify where further action is required.
- 3.2 In addition, effective monitoring of recommendations facilitates the evaluation of the impact of the scrutiny function overall.

4. Consultation

- 4.1 No consultation is required on this matter.

5. Financial Implications

- 5.1 Any financial implications arising from scrutiny activity are considered as required by the appropriate director or cabinet member/cabinet.

6. Legal and Governance Implications

- 6.1 The duty to undertake overview and scrutiny is set out in Part 1A Section 9 of the Local Government Act 2000.
- 6.2 The Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007 places a duty on the Executive to respond to Scrutiny recommendations within two months of receiving them.

7. Risks

- 7.1 Any risk implications arising from scrutiny activity are considered as required by the appropriate director or cabinet member/Cabinet.

8. Equality and Diversity Implications (including the public sector equality duty)

- 8.1 Any equality implications arising from scrutiny activity are considered as required by the appropriate director or cabinet member/Cabinet.

9. Other Relevant Implications

- 9.1 Any other implications such as climate change or corporate parenting that arise from scrutiny activity are considered as required by the appropriate director or cabinet member/Cabinet.

10. Background Documents

None.

11. How does this deliver the Outcomes in the Council Plan?

- Growing up in Sandwell
- Living in Sandwell
- Healthy in Sandwell
- Thriving Economy in Sandwell
- One Council One Team Approach.

11.1 The scrutiny function supports all of the objectives of the Council Plan by seeking to improve services for the people of Sandwell. It does this by influencing the policies and decisions made by the Council and other organisations involved in delivering public services.

11.2 Effective monitoring of recommendations made supports this and allows scrutiny to evaluate its impact.